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(54) **Composition for forming polishing pad, crosslinked body for polishing pad, polishing pad using the same and method for producing thereof**

(57) It is an object of the invention to provide a composition for forming a polishing pad comprising substances having specific functional groups exhibiting excellent hydrophilic properties and the like, a crosslinked body for polishing pad as well as a polishing pad with excellent water resisting and durability which exhibits excellent polishing performance including a high removal rate and method for producing thereof. The composition for forming a polishing pad comprises a crosslinkable elastomer having no carboxyl, amino, hydroxyl,

epoxy, sulfonic acid and phosphoric acid groups, and a water-insoluble substance having at least one functional group selected from the group consisting of carboxyl, amino, hydroxyl, epoxy, sulfonic acid and phosphoric acid groups. And a water-soluble substance such as cyclodextrin may be contained. A polishing pad can be manufactured using the composition above or the crosslinked body for polishing pad, and porous polishing pads may also be obtained.



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